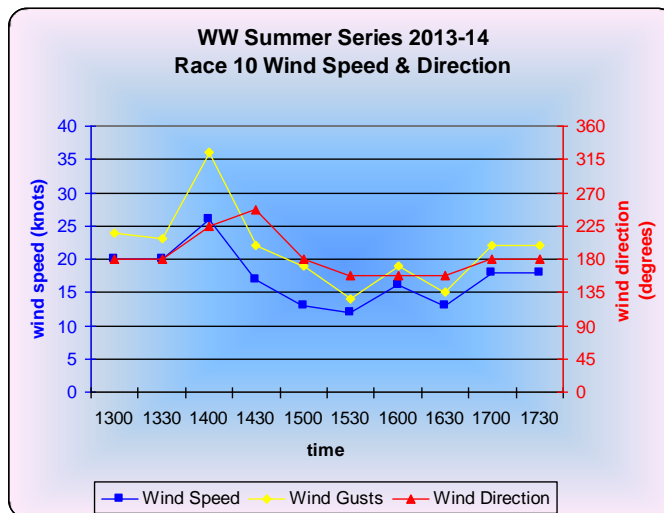


Race 10: A Late MG Honeymoon Race Wednesday Wonders Summer 2013

By starting in an anticlockwise direction but finishing in a clockwise direction the 7 leg 8.8 nautical mile course 31 is unusual amongst SYC courses. The change in direction is achieved by leaving a couple of marks to starboard when the rest of the marks are left to port. In addition, it is the only course that includes the 1 mile leg from number 4 to number 2. Course 31 is not often selected for a Wednesday race but it was a successful choice for last week. All the yachts completed the course in less than 2 hours helped by some fortunate wind shifts but hindered by the occasional squall. Fawkner Beacon recorded a gust of about 36 knots sometime between 1330 and 1400. However, for most of the afternoon the breeze stayed below 20 knots averaging out at about 17 knots.



Until race 10 of this series no yacht shorter than 34 feet with a handicap of less than 22 minutes finished in the top three. It was PIPPA (Jeffrey Woolhouse) who broke this trend by winning race 10. PIPPA started the series with a 10 minute handicap but this has been reduced. She has sailed in 5 of the 6 completed races this series with a 22nd place her previous best position. PIPPA led the fleet throughout the 7 leg 8.8 nautical mile course being 19 seconds late for her 6 minute start. Sailing the course in 1:55:39 she crossed the finish line at 15:31:59.

With an MG owner as crew, Pippa also won the MG perpetual trophy plus a especially selected Crozes-Hermitage wine. Thanks to George Shaw for this fun initiative and the generous sponsors Red Bluff Homes. Thank you to the MG Sailor Drivers who brought their cars along to be admired.



PIPPA in a more leisurely Mode

In second place, 1 minute 12 seconds behind PIPPA was PIZAZZ (Philip Martyn and Russell Kemp). With a handicap of 26 minutes PIZAZZ started 12 seconds late from 7th position and completed the course in 1:36:31 crossing the finish line at 15:32:51. This gave PIZAZZ her best result this series from the six completed races. She is currently in second place in the aggregate with 8 points, only 1 point behind aggregate leader FAST COMPANY (Daniel Edwards).

RACE RECORD - PIZAZZ

RACE	DATE	POSN	ELAPSED	FINISH	HCAP	COURSE	DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
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4	30/10/2013	21	03:15:35	17:09:35	00:24:00	13	8.5	6
5	6/11/2013	3	01:52:52	15:46:52	00:24:00	14	9.8	18
7	20/11/2013	3	01:56:52	15:51:52	00:25:00	14	9.8	18
8	27/11/2013	15	02:46:51	16:42:51	00:26:00	13	4.2	7
9	5/12/2013	5	01:44:56	16:20:56	00:26:00	6	8.2	15
10	11/12/2013	2	01:36:51	15:32:51	00:26:00	31	8.8	17

Finishing 3 minutes and 2 seconds behind PIZAZZ was MOANA (Stan Rankin) in 3rd position. MOANA has maintained a 22 minute handicap for all six races this series but this wasn't her best start being 1 minute 41 seconds late. Nevertheless, it was her best result so far as she crossed the finish line at 15:35:53 after sailing the course in 1:43:53.

RACE RECORD - MOANA								
RACE	DATE	POSN	ELAPSED	FINISH	HCAP	COURSE	DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
4	30/10/2013	23	03:21:30	17:13:30	00:22:00	13	8.5	6
5	6/11/2013	22	02:06:55	15:58:55	00:22:00	14	9.8	18
7	20/11/2013	12	02:05:04	15:57:04	00:22:00	14	9.8	18
8	27/11/2013	29	03:13:19	17:05:19	00:22:00	13	4.2	7
9	5/12/2013	8	01:50:41	16:22:41	00:22:00	6	8.2	15
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MOANA is 14th in the aggregate on 23 points, 16 points behind the leader.

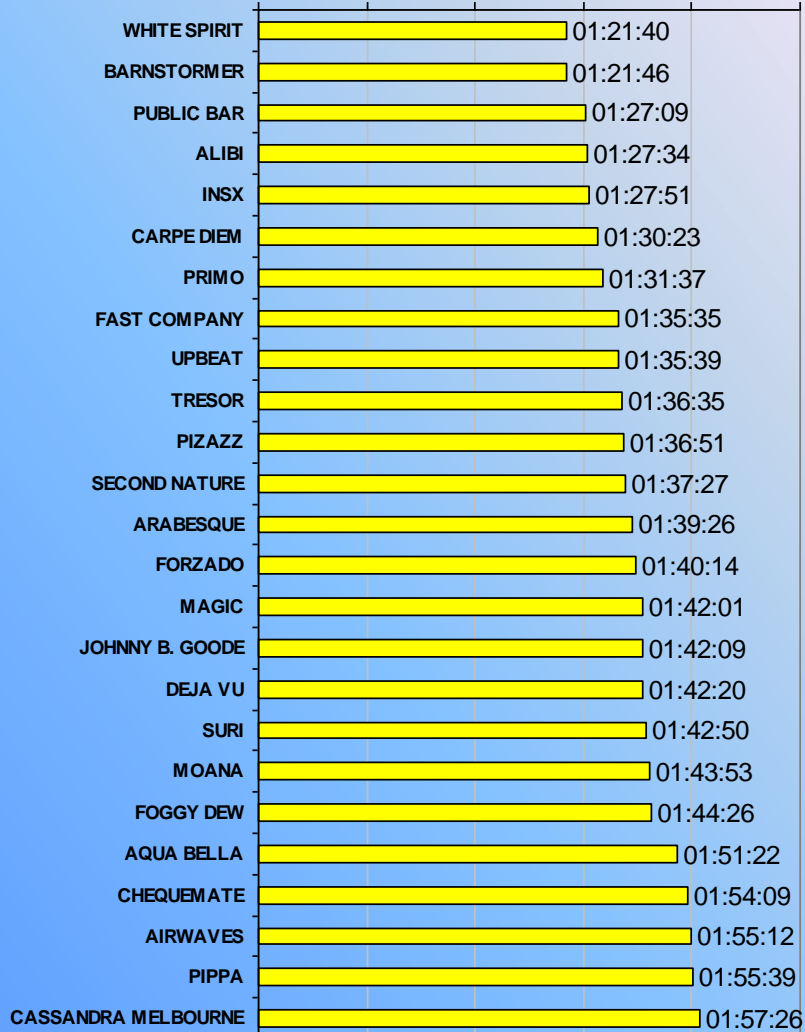
Although this was neither the shortest course of the series nor one with the strongest breeze it did produce the fastest sail time of the series. WHITE SPIRIT (Timothy Say) created the record sailing the 8.8 nautical mile course in 1:21:40. She was closely challenged by BARNSTORMER (Brian Barnes) who took only 6 seconds longer to sail the course. The last yacht crossed the finish line at 15:47:22 – a record for the earliest last finisher.



WW Summer Series 2013-14
Race 10 Sail Time
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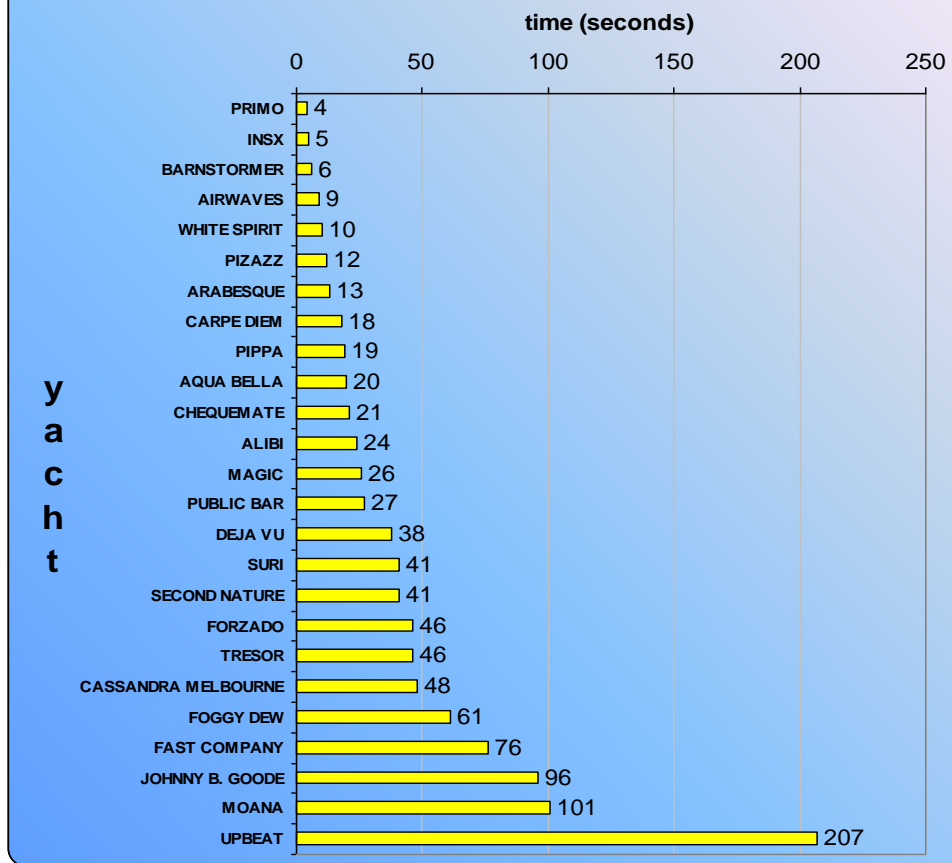
No yachts started too soon and 20 of the 25 yachts started within 1 minute of their start times making this one of the more competitive starts of the day. PRIMO (Steve Copley) won the Start of the Day getting within 4 seconds of her start. She was followed by INSX (Rob Sills) on 5 seconds with BARNSTORMER on 6 seconds.



Keeping looking to find the driver that matches this MG



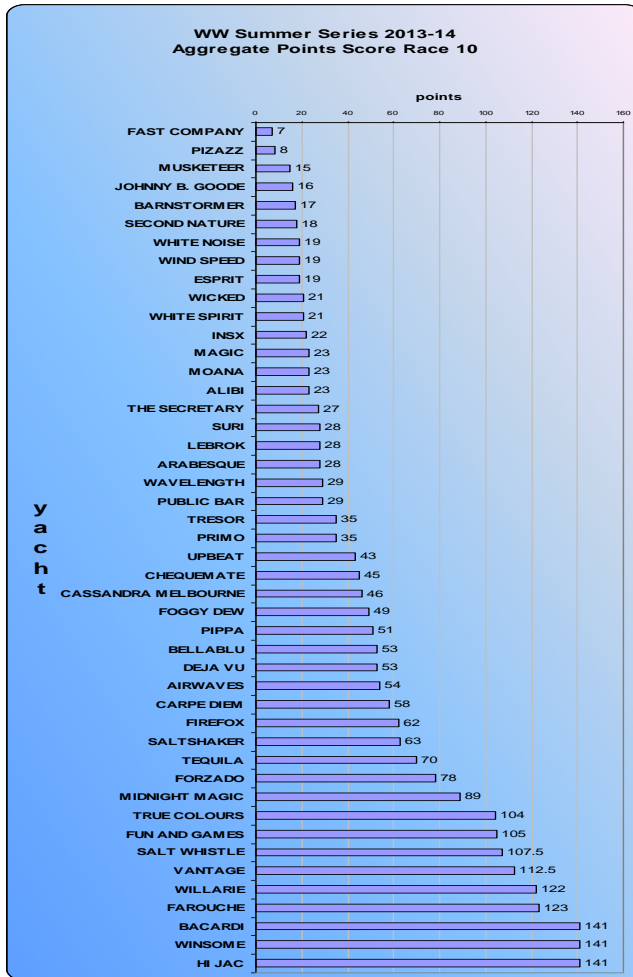
WW Summer Series 2013-14 Race 10 Start of the Day



There are 15 scheduled races remaining in the series and competition in the aggregate is intensifying. Only 14 points separate the first ten whilst 22 points separate the first 21 yachts. Although only 6 races have been completed there has been an average of 28 yachts completing each race. Five yachts have completed all six races; eleven yachts have completed 5; and, 10 yachts have completed 4 races.

T.C.Geoffrey "the best dressed" or "Best man"



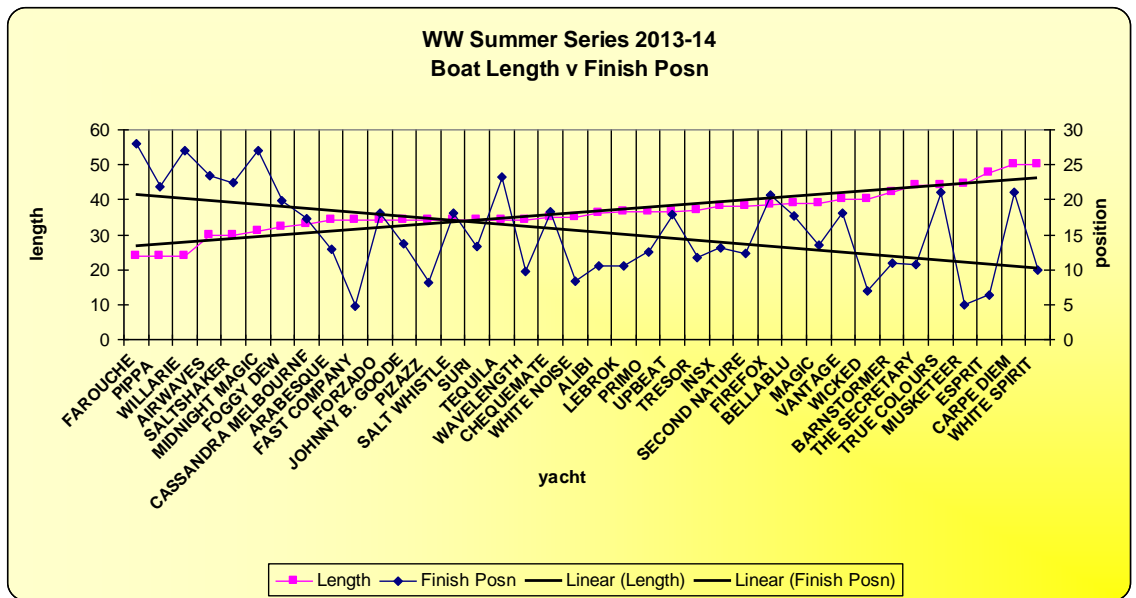


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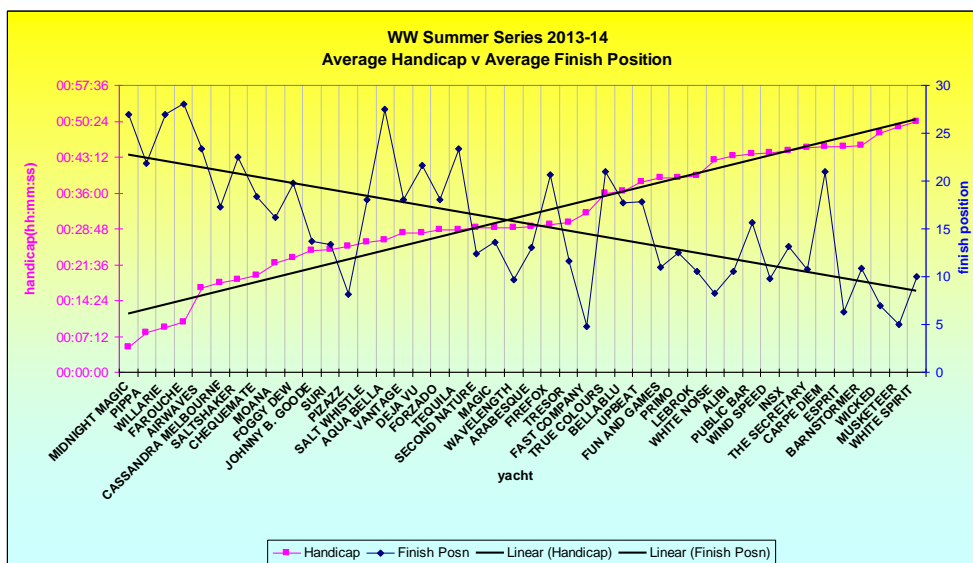
Race 11 is the last race of 2013 and is scheduled for 1330 on 18 Dec. It will be the Mark Windward Trophy Race, held over from the start of the series. All yachts entered in this series are automatically entered. There will be some special sur-prizes.



Photo of the only Race LDK has "won" and winners with the Red Bluff Homes bottle
Correction: A young lady has pointed out an error in the year of last week's honeymoon photo. It was 42 years ago. Fortunately Mark had the correct date.



This graph indicates the longer yachts finish in the better positions with exceptions.



Questions asked during race 10

Is the MG race becoming the Classic Car race because someone has just brought an Austin Healey two weeks ago?

How come the handicapper went missing? He didn't do that badly with most yachts all finishing within 10 mins. (3rd to second last)

Where were you when the wind came in and changed direction?

Did you achieve your highest rate of knots downwind today?

Don't you realize when finishing times are very close, that start times do matter?

Did you check the tide level before we rounded number 3?

Did you really push a crew overboard because you thought the wind was dropping?

Did we really need that sail change?

Can we just follow the red yacht, instead of trying to find the camouflaged buoys.

Did the wind swing from 228° to 176° and did we have to sail an extra .78nm, or is it that you can't steer very well?



Pizazz Photo by Graham Furness

Mark bribed Philip with Windbuoy's photo of Pizazz to write "A bit about my boat". Pizazz is currently 2nd in the WW Summer series. Russell Kemp and Philip Martyn are the owners of PIZAZZ. *"We bought the Oceanis 34 in September 2011 when we traded in our cruising boat, a Salar 40. We are now enjoying having a boat in which we can compete in the Wednesday Wonders races and can still go cruising. It is great to be racing against two other Oceanis 34s and we think there is one more to come. We normally have a crew of five/six with an average age of over 70. Russell and Philip"*

MARK Number Three.

Mark 3 enjoyed its little wander and you will find that it is back where it belongs, as per sailing instructions and is now located a larger distance away from Paddy's Reef than last week.

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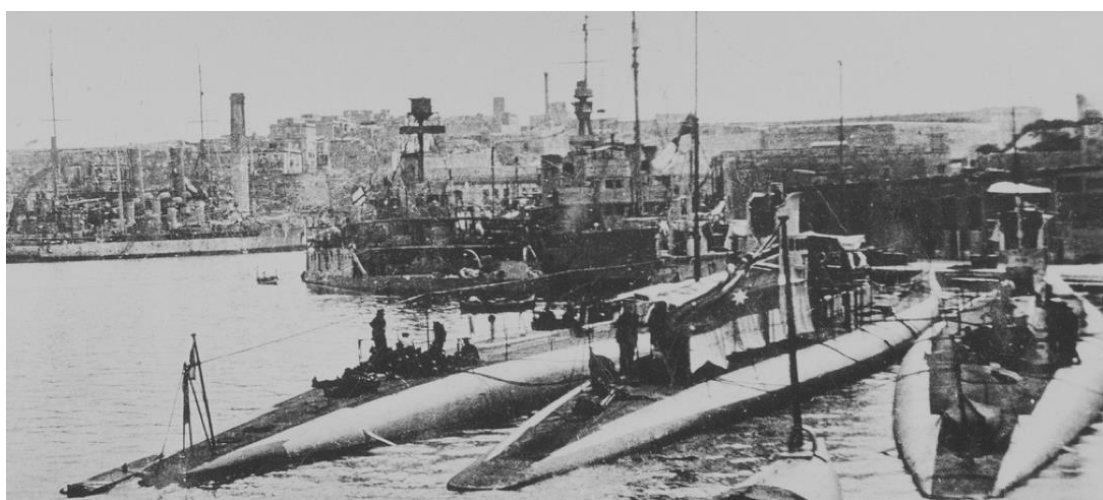
MOB will soon be changed to a non-sexist title, POB.

You need to declare to the sailing office that you have completed this drill before October each year!

I am unsure why it has not been clearly stated that 5 yachts were not counted in race 10. Only 25 were included. This altered the 3rd place in the race, which probably Vantage thought was his, finishing about 1½ minutes in front of the next yacht.

The reason was that they had not logged their MOB declarations. A regular ocean going yacht thought this was a bit tough given the number of ABN races, and other unsuitable days for throwing things overboard.

Meanwhile 2 yachts did have live MOB practice in this week's race. I am not sure seeing it was not a drill, does it count as a practice?



The Answer to Race 8 Question.

The photo is of 3 J class submarines in Sydney Harbour 1919.

They arrived in Sydney on 15/7/1919

For web page & other photos [click](#)

Captain Algie is NQR. *"The middle submarine is the J7 moored at Portsmouth prior to delivery to Australia"*.

Stephen Harper is also NQR. He suggests *"They are in England and they are WW1 (J class?) pommie subs and we have one in our harbour.... Cheers Harpo"*.

In January 1915, 8 J Class submarines were ordered however only 7 were built. Unique to British submarines the J class subs were designed with triple screws making them the fastest of their time with a surface speed of 19 knots.

To view a great collection of early and recent naval photos visit:

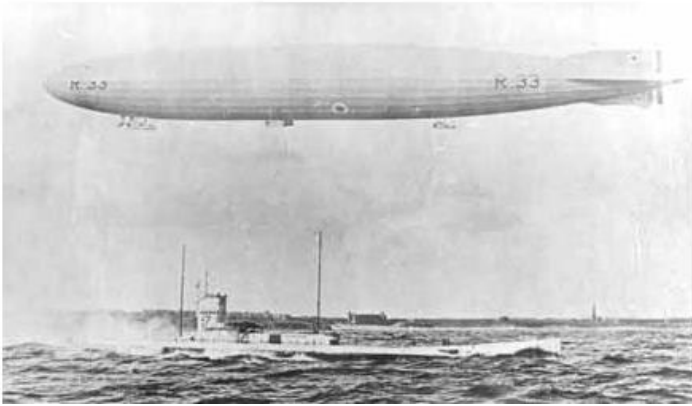
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Vicnet: Eric Langenberg [Click](#) includes photos of the inside of Subs

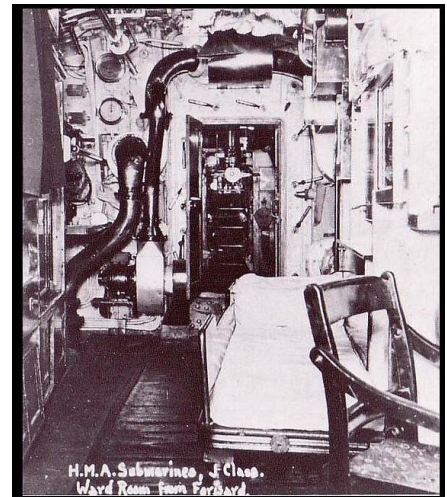
Other sites of interest: Navy Web Site [Click](#) An attack by J sub [Click](#)

The accounts of actual sailing in a J Sub to Australia would not encourage you to

undertake the voyage. Read a full detailed account by Graham Seal [Click](#) A great read.



HMS Submarine J7 off the River Tyne prior to sailing for Australia in February 1919.



J1 submarine.
LaTrobe Picture Collection,
State Library of Victoria.

Question Race 10 Can you tell me where & when and what is the occasion?



Just a bit of boating history.
I grew up near where this photo was taken. A short answer will be OK.

Send your answer to [Mark](#)



The next race 11 is the Mark Windward Trophy and prizes will include:

Average Age for Weight Class Prize

It has often been mentioned to Mark that the average age of a yacht's crew is over 60 plus. So there will be a weight for age prize. You must know (before presentation time) the average age of those on your yacht. The weighting will be calculated on time, not heaviness of crew.

The Secondary Schoolies Skipper award

If school children are aboard, to be eligible for this award, skippers should record in writing, the names or name, year level and name of yacht and hand it to the Pippa Skipper a.s.a.p. after the race. The student on board must have assisted with the sailing of the yacht. Description of activities is an advantage as it may influence the award.

The Midway Prize and more.

Thanks to contributors for No10 Race Report: Windward Buoy, Stephen Harper, Graham Furness, Peter Algie, Phillip Pizazz, St George, Paul G (for info about No 3), and the race model Geoffrey for dressing up. Thanks also to Eloise Pritchard for assisting at the Rec boating party, and for putting these reports on the Website during 2013.

Don't forget your sun cream for Wednesday. [Mark](#)